



2005 ASSEMBLY BILL 331

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1 **AN ACT to amend** 343.44 (2) (am) of the statutes; **relating to:** operating a vehicle
2 after revocation of a person's operating privilege and providing a penalty.

Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau

Under current law, a person who operates a motor vehicle when his or her operating privilege is revoked may be fined not more than \$2,500, jailed for not more than one year, or both. However, a person who operated a motor vehicle when his or her operating privilege was revoked before May 1, 2002, and who had not been convicted of a previous violation of operating a motor vehicle when his or her operating privilege had been revoked within the previous 5 years, may be required to forfeit not more than \$600.

Under this bill, any person who operates a motor vehicle when his or her operating privilege is revoked may be required to forfeit not more than \$600 unless the person has been previously convicted of operating a motor vehicle while his or her operating privilege is revoked.

The people of the state of Wisconsin, represented in senate and assembly, do enact as follows:

3 **SECTION 1.** 343.44 (2) (am) of the statutes is amended to read:
4 343.44 (2) (am) Any person who violates sub. (1) (b) before May 1, 2002, may
5 be required to forfeit not more than \$600, except that, if the person has been

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1 convicted of a previous violation of sub. (1) (b), ~~or of operating a motor vehicle in~~
2 ~~violation of s. 343.44 (1), 1997 stats., with an operating privilege that is revoked,~~
3 ~~within the preceding 5-year period,~~ the penalty under par. (b) shall apply.

4 (END)